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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Choong-Chin Liew
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Titled: Method for the Detection of Chagas
Disease Related Gene Transcripts in
Blood

Examiner: Juliet Switzer

Group Art Unit: 1634

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Amendment and Reply After-Final

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Reply are being filed in response to the final office action mailed April 23, 2008.

A three month extension of time to respond to the office action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this After-final response and Amendment. Please charge any necessary fees required in connection with the paper transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 04-1105, Reference No.: 2055K(204231).

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on **page 4** of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on **page 8** of this paper. Please enter the following amendments and remarks.